MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CASTLE EDEN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2025

Councillor M Wilmer (Chair)
Councillors D Gordon, L Taylor and J Welch

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of A Moon

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. POLICE REPORT

There was no police report.

4. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 JANUARY 2025** a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved and signed by the Chair.

5. **MATTERS ARISING**

Traffic lights at A19 interchange – the following update had been received

Unfortunately, DCC were still having issues in relation to identifying an appropriate signal solution for the Southbound A19 slip road to replace the existing dual mini roundabout arrangement which was both safe and had sufficient capacity to avoid significant queuing and delays.

The site constraints and the volume of traffic made it a difficult site to provide a signal solution for as it required a non-standard arrangement. The solution that had been worked on to provide this was found to have too many safety issues and could not be taken forward.

DCC were currently reviewing alternative options with National Highways as the requirements to provide signals at the top of the Southbound off slip was a National Highways stipulation.

They understood that the delay was frustrating, however they needed to be sure that the signals that were provided were safe and could operate without increasing congestion in the area.

6. **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

There was none.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Church donation – St Andrew's Parochial church Council had requested a donation to assist in the maintenance of St James Churchyard in Castle Eden.

RESOLVED that £600 be agreed.

8. **PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no planning applications to consider.

9. **FINANCE**

Balance as per bank reconciliation as £38,617.82

Bank statements were viewed by the Chair

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO
St Andrews Church	Donation	£600.00	000756

10. PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION

The Chair advised that nomination papers for the forthcoming elections would be available soon.

11. VILLAGE MATTERS

a) Mile Stone – A stone mason had suggested black marble and could be concreted into the ground. Following discussion, Councillors suggested that the colour should be lighter for health and safety reasons. Approximate cost was £300.

RESOLVED that the cost be accepted in the lighter colour.